



County Administrative Office
Governmental & Legislative Affairs

Josh Candelaria
Director

July 15, 2015

Honorable Ricardo Lara
Chair, Senate Appropriations Committee
State Capitol, Room 2206
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1235 (Gipson) – As amended on July 7, 2015 – **SUPPORT**

Dear Chairman Lara:

The County Board of San Bernardino is pleased to support AB 1235, which would establish eligibility and other requirements for providing the home upkeep allowance or transitional personal needs fund to Medi-Cal patients residing in a long-term care facilities.

AB 1235 would prescribe general requirements as well as specific requirements both for facility residents who intend to leave the facility and return to an existing home, who would receive the home upkeep allowance, and residents who intend to leave the facility and establish a new home, who would establish a transitional personal needs fund, as part of the personal needs allowance provided to the resident.

This bill establishes a new transitional personal needs fund, caps the amount in the fund at \$7,500, and requires money in the fund to be set aside from the income that otherwise would be applied toward the resident's Medi-Cal share of cost for residing in the facility.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino respectfully requests an "Aye" vote on AB 1235. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or at jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Ramos".

JAMES RAMOS
Board of Supervisors Chairman Third District Supervisor
County of San Bernardino

c: The Honorable Mike Gipson
Honorable Members and Consultants, Senate Appropriations Committee
County of San Bernardino Legislative Delegation

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